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ECTORS' MEETING, COPENHAGEN, JANUARY 10-11: MID-EAST

1. MFA EC PRESIDENCY OFFICER BOJER RECOUNTED TO US THIS EVEN-  
ING (JANUARY 11) THE RELATIVELY INVOLVED BUT NON-CONCLUSIVE DIS-  
CUSSION THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS ENGAGED IN ON THE MIDDLE-EAST.  
THE EC MIDDLE-EAST EXPERTS MET LAST NIGHT AND EARLY THIS  
MORNING IN ORDER TO SUBMIT TO THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS SHORTLY BE-  
FORE NOON A STUDY OF THE PRESENT POSITIONS OF THE VARIOUS PAR-  
TIES DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE MID-EAST, ESPECIALLY PRIME MIN-  
ISTER BEGIN'S PLAN AS A REALISTIC NEGOTIATING DOCUMENT. THE EX-  
PERTS WILL CONTINUE THEIR ANALYSIS AND PRESENT ANOTHER PAPER  
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FOR LATER EC-POLITICAL COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION.

2. THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE LISTENED TO THE EXPERTS' PRESENTATION  
AND THEMSELVES EXCHANGED VIEWPOINTS. CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S IMPRES-  
SIONS FROM HIS VISIT TO EGYPT WERE TRANSMITTED BY THE GERMANS AND  
THE ITALIANS DEBRIEFED ON DAYAN'S VISIT TO ROME. BOJER SAID THAT  
THE BRITISH INFORMED THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE NINE THAT CALLAGHAN

WILL BE MEETING WITH SADAT ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 13 IN ASWAN.

3. ONE OF THE MANDATES FOR THE EC EXPERTS IS TO ATTEMPT TO FIND A SYNTHESIS OF THE VARIOUS POSITIONS "IN LIGHT OF" THE STILL RELEVANT EC PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON THE MIDDLE-EAST, THOSE OF JUNE 29 AND NOVEMBER 22 AFTER SADAT'S VISIT TO JERUSALEM.

4. BOJER EMPHASIZED THAT THERE WILL BE NO EC INITIATIVES OR ACTS OR STATEMENTS ON THE MIDDLE-EAST FOR THE TIME BEING. THIS IS NOT TO SAY, ADDED BOJER, THAT THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE NINE MIGHT NOT UNDERTAKE BILATERAL ACTS, AND CITED CALLAGHAN'S VISIT AS AN EXAMPLE. THE IDEA IS THAT ALTHOUGH SUCH ACTS CAN BE EXPECTED, THEY SHOULD BE BUILT ON AND EMBROIDERED AROUND THE NINE'S CONSENSUS POSITIONS AS NOTED ABOVE.

5. IN CONCLUDING HIS DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT, BOJER RECALLED THAT SADAT HAD SENT A LETTER TO TINDEMANS DURING THE BELGIAN EC PRESIDENCY WHICH OUTLINED EGYPTIAN POSITIONS ON THE MIDDLE-EAST, AND ASKED THE NINE FOR SUPPORT AND TO EXERT INFLUENCE ON ISRAEL. THE REPLY OF THE NINE TO THIS LETTER IS STILL BEING DISCUSSED.

6. IN VIEW OF THE SENSITIVITY OF AND US INTEREST IN THIS ENTIRE AREA, WE WILL PURSUE THIS FURTHER WITH THE DANES TOMORROW MORNING.  
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